UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION AT DAYTON

SONDA J. SHAFER,

Plaintiff, Case No.: 3:16-cv-71

VS.

District Judge Thomas M. Rose

DAVID REESE, et al., Magistrate Judge Michael J. Newman

Defendants.

ORDER DENYING WITHOUT PREJUDICE PRO SE PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL (DOC. 2)

This action is before the Court on *pro se* Plaintiff's motion for appointment of counsel. Doc. 2. Plaintiff was granted leave to file this case *in forma pauperis*. While Congress has authorized courts to appoint counsel in such cases, *see* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(1), it has never authorized any funding for such counsel, and the Court cannot compel counsel to serve without compensation. *Mallard v. U.S. Dist. Court*, 490 U.S. 296, 308-09 (1989); *Lavado v. Keohane*, 992 F.2d 601, 605-06 (6th Cir. 1993). Therefore, Plaintiff's motion (doc. 2) is **DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**. The Court will reconsider Plaintiff's motion at the conclusion of all discovery and the issuance of an order on motions for summary judgment, if any.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: March 25, 2016 s/ Michael J. Newman

Michael J. Newman

United States Magistrate Judge